

3 an immunoglobulin heavy chain constant region domain selected
4 from the group consisting of C_H1, C_H2, C_H3, and C_H4 of a γ, α,
5 ε, μ, or δ class immunoglobulin heavy chain.

1 56. The heteromultimeric polypeptide fusion of
2 claim 45 wherein said multimerized polypeptide fusion
3 comprises a first polypeptide fusion comprising a first
4 receptor or receptor domain requiring multimerization for
5 activity joined to a first immunoglobulin constant region and
6 a second polypeptide fusion comprising a second receptor or
7 receptor domain requiring multimerization for activity joined
8 to a second immunoglobulin constant region.

1 57. The heteromultimeric polypeptide fusion of
2 claim 56 wherein one of said receptor domains comprises a
3 ligand binding domain.

1 58. The heteromultimeric polypeptide fusion of
2 claim 45 which is a heterotetramer comprising four polypeptide
3 fusions each having a non-immunoglobulin polypeptide joined to
4 a multimerizing protein.

REMARKS

By this amendment, claims 1-28 have been cancelled and new claims 29-58 have been added to more distinctly claim certain aspects of the invention. All of the amendments presented herein are fully supported by the specification, and no new matter has been added to the application. Specific support for new claims 29-58 is found throughout the specification, for example at pages 5-12, pages 23-25, pages 67-71, pages 71-73, pages 78-83 (Examples 13 and 14), and within the original claims as filed.

Formal Drawings

The Drawings have been amended to meet the separate numbering requirement of 37 CFR §1.84. The specification has also been amended to reflect these changes to Figures 1 and 11. Enclosed herewith are formal drawings incorporating these changes for the Draftperson's review and entry in the application.

Applicants believe that the claims presented herein for the Office's consideration are all in condition for allowance. Notice to that effect is requested. If for any reason, however, the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at 206/467-9600.

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